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SUBJECT: LOME MEDIATION COMMISION

- 1. AT AIRPORT PRESS CONFERENCE ON HIS RETURN JUNE 19
 FROM LOME, PRESIDENT KOUNTCHE ANNOUNCED HE WAS STAISFIED
 WITH RESULTS OF LOME SUMMIT. HE SAID WHAT HAD BEEN
 ACHIEVED WAS DUE TO GOOD WILL OF PARTICIPANTS AND TO HARD
 AMD IMPARTIAL WORK OF COMMISSION AND SUBCOMMISSION.
 RESULTS WERE ALSO FURTHER EVIDENCE OF ARICA'S POLITICAL
 MATURITY AND "AFRICAN WISDOM" WHICH MADE IT POSSIBLE
 TO SOLVE PROBLEMS BY CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE.
- 2. IN REPLY TO PRESS QUESTION WHY MEETING WAS SO LONG AND DIFFICULT, KOUNTCHE REJECTED THESE ADJECTIVES AND SAID THAT CONSIDERING NEED TO STUDY COMMISSIONS' RECOMMENDATIONS TO INSURE THAT BOTH SIDES FULLY UNCLASSIFIED

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UNDERSTOOD AND ACCEPTED THEM, MUCH HAD BEEN

ACHIEVED IN A SHORT TIME.

- 3. ASKED WHETHER THERE WAS CHANCE THAT HOSTILITIES MIGHT BREAK OUT AGAIN BETWEEN MALI AND UPPER VOLTA PENDING FINAL DEMARCATION OF FRONTIERS, KOUNTCHE SAID HE FELT AGREEMENT REACHED AT LOME WOULD HOLD AND INTRODUCE ATMOSPHERE OF DETENTE BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES.
- 4. KOUNTCHE ALSO TOLD JOURNALISTS HE HAD HAD SATISFACTORY BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS WITH SENGHOR AND SEPARATELY WITH GENERAL EYADEMA ON IMPORTANT QUESTION OF TRANSPORT OF FUEL AND OTHER SUPPLIES FROM COWQK#TO NIGER. HECK

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